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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 01-71B

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

In response to the Department's March 22, 2002 order in the above-captioned docket, I am enclosing documentation regarding the \$5,774,000 refund in net penalties to the ratepayers of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company (collectively "Company") during the month of May 2002. To this amount, the Company proposes to add (1) \$437,000 in service quality penalties from 1999, as set forth in the Company's December 28, 2000 filing in dockets DPU/DTE 96-25 and 96-100, and (2) \$58,581.73, which represents the Company's final fuel account balance as of March 31, 2000, as set forth in the Company's January 8, 2001 filing in DPU/DTE 96-25, 96-100, 98-13, and 98-13E, plus accumulated interest on these two amounts for the period January 2000 through April 2002. Accordingly, the attached schedules show a proposed total refund of \$6,337,106 to customers during May 2002.

Attachment 1 is the calculation of the one-month credit of \$0.004 per kWh. Attachment 2 is a typical bill comparison of a 500 kWh residential customer, showing a bill decrease of \$2.00. Attachment 3 is a copy of the December 28, 2000 cover letter referenced above, and Attachment 4 is a copy of the January 8, 2001 cover letter referenced above. Please feel free to contact me if the Department wishes additional copies of these filings. Attachment 5 contains Massachusetts Electric Company's tariff cover sheets marked to show changes, and Attachment 6 contains Nantucket Electric Company's tariff cover sheets marked to show changes. Finally, Attachment 7 contains clean versions of the proposed tariff cover sheets for Massachusetts Electric Company, and Attachment 8 contains clean versions of the proposed tariff cover sheets for Nantucket Electric Company.

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¹ This amount consists of a remaining over recovery attributable to the Company of \$114,287.16 less an over refund attributable to Eastern Edison Company of \$55,705.43.

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Thank you very much for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Amy G. Rabinowitz

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